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"Since the filing of correspondence under § 1.10 without the Express Mail mailing label thereon is an oversight that can be avoided by the exercise of reasonable care, requests for waiver of this requirement will not be granted on petition." Notice of Oct. 24, 1996, 60 Fed. Reg. 56,439, at 56,442.

placed thereon prior to mailing. 37 C.F.R. 1.10(b).

WARNING: Where the items being submitted to complete the entry of the international application into the national phase are subsequent to 30 months from the priority date the application is still considered to be in the international state and if mailing procedures are utilized to obtain a date the express mail procedure of 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 must be used (because international application papers are not covered by an ordinary certificate of mailing. 37 C.F.R. § 108(2)(xi).

NOTE: Documents and fees must be clearly identified as a submission to enter the national stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371. Otherwise, the submission will be considered as being made under 35 U.S.C. § 111. 37 C.F.R. § 1.495(g).

	DECLARATION OR OATH
	37 C.F.R. § 1.495(c): "If applicant complies with paragraph (b) of this section before expiration of thirty months from the priority date but omits the oath or declaration of the inventor (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4) and § 1.497), if a declaration of inventorship in compliance with § 1.497 has not been previously submitted in the international application under PCT Rule 4.17(iv) within the time limits provided for n PCT Rule 26ter.1, applicant will be so notified and given a period of time within which to file the oath or declaration in order to prevent abandonment of the application The payment of the surcharge set forth in § 1.492(e) is required for acceptance of the oath or declaration of the inventorater than the expiration of thirty months after the priority date."
	o original declaration or oath was filed. Enclosed is the original declaration or oath or this application.
	OR
	ne declaration or oath that was filed was determined to be defective. A new original ath or declaration is attached.
NOTE: 1	For surcharge fee for filing declaration after filing date complete item IV(2).
	Acceptable minimums in the declaration in an ordinarily filed U.S. application for identification of the specification to which it applies are:
	(A) application number (consisting of the series code and the serial number, e.g., 08/123,456);
	(B) serial number and filing date;
	(C) attorney docket number which was on the specification as filed;
	(D) title which was on the specification as filed and reference to an attached specification which is both attached to the oath or declaration at the time of execution and submitted with the oath or declaration; or
	(E) title of the inventor which was on the specification as filed and accompanied by a cover letter accurately identifying the application for which it was intended by either the application number (consisting of the series code and the serial number, e.g., 08/123,456), or serial number and filing date. Absent any statement(s) to the contrary, it will be presumed that the application filed in the PTO is the application which the inventor(s) executed by signing the oath or declaration.
٨	M.P.E.P. § 602, 8th ed.
ti ti	nother minimum found acceptable in the declaration is the filing date (i.e., date of express mail) and the express mail number, useful where the serial number is not yet known. But note the practice where the express mail deposit is a Saturday, Sunday or holiday within the District of Columbia. 37 C.F.R. 1.10(c).
NOTE: S	See 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(a).
	The original oath was objected to. A new original oath is attached.
	(complete (c) or (d), if applicable)
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(c) 🗆	Statement by a registered attorney that the application filed in the PTO is the

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Statement that the "attached" specification is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto that were filed in the PTO to obtain the filing date.

application that the inventor executed by signing the declaration.

II. (complete as applicable)	
☐ An amendment in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 is a	ttached.
☐ The attached amendment cancels claims	inclusive.
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TRANSMITTAL OF ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPERS	1
III. Submitted herewith is an English translation of the non-English tional application papers as originally filed. It is requested that used as the copy for examination purposes in the PTO. (See 3)	it this translation be
NOTE: For fee for processing a non-English application and submission of an English months after the priority date, complete item IV(3).	translation later than 30
NOTE: A non-English oath or declaration in the form provided or approved by the PTC 37 C.F.R. § 1.69(b).	O need not be translated.
FEES	
IV.	
1. Examination, Search and Additional Page Fee	
WARNING: The USPTO is considering changing the amount of the search fee and in national stage in the near future. Please refer to www.uspto.gov for	examination fee charged the current fees.
☐ Examinatin Fee	
☐ Search Fee	
☐ Additional Page Fee	
NOTE: See 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(a).	
2. Fees for claims	
each independent claim in excess of 3	•
(37 C.F.R. § 1.492(b))—\$200.00; small entity—\$100.00	\$
(37 C.F.R. § 1.492(c))—\$50.00; small entity—\$25.00	\$
multiple dependent claims(s)	•
(37 C.F.R. § 1.492(d))—\$360.00; small entity—\$180.00	\$
3. Surcharge fees	
Surcharge for filing the oath or declaration later than	
thirty months from the priority date pursuant to § 1.495(c) and § 1.492(e): \$130.00; small entity—	120.00
\$65.00	\$
NOTE: The processing fee in the next item 3 below is not subject to a reduction for	or small entity status.
4.	
☐ For filing an English translation of an international	
application later than thirty months after the priority date (§ 1.495(c)) and § 1.492(f): \$130.00	\$
5. Fee for assignment recordation Total fees	40.00 \$ 170.00
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SMALL ENTITY STATUS

V. a. An assertion that this filing is by a small en NOTE: See 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(a).	ntity
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☐ is attached. ☐ was filed on ☐ was made by paying the basic national ☐ is being made now by paying the basic b. ☐ A separate refund request accompanies this	national fee as a small entity.
EXTENSION OF TIME	1E
(complete (a) or (b), as appl	licable)
VI. The proceedings herein are for a patent application C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.	n. Accordingly, the provisions of 37
(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time, 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(4), for the total numb	
 □ one month □ two months □ three months □ four months □ five months □ \$1,020.00 □ \$1,590.00 □ \$2,160.00 	\$ 60.00 \$ 225.00 \$ 510.00 \$ 795.00 \$ 1,080.00
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If an additional extension of time is required, please	consider this a petition therefor.
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An extension for months has alr therefor of \$ is deducted months of extension now requested. Extension fee due with this request \$ or	from the total fee due for the total
(b) Applicant believes that no extension of term tional petition is being made to provide for inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition.	the possibility that applicant has
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VII. The total fee due is:	\$170.00
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PAYMENT OF FEES

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	AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES
IX.	
	ccurately count claims, especially multiple dependant claims, to avoid unexpected high charges extra claims are authorized.
or futur as inco charge a cons for an e in § 1. reply re	ten request may be submitted in an application that is an authorization to treat any concurrent the reply, requiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission, apporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. An authorization to all required fees, fees under § 1.17, or all required extension of time fees will be treated as structive petition for an extension of time in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission. Submission of the fee set forth 17(a) will also be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in any concurrent equiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission." 37 § 1.136(a)(3).
reasona	nts of twenty-five dollars or less will not be returned unless specifically requested within a able time, nor will the payer be notified of such amounts; amounts over twenty-five dollars may med by check or, if requested, by credit to a deposit account." 37 C.F.R. § 1.26(a).
C.F.R. has bed authoriz stage u	evious practice of holding applications abandoned if an authorization to charge fees under 37 § 1.16 has been provided instead of an authorization to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.492 en changed. The Office amended 37 C.F.R. § 1.25(b), effective November 7, 2000, so that an exation to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 in an international application entering the national ender 35 U.S.C. § 371 is now accepted by the Office as an authorization to charge fees under R. § 1.492.
	ase charge, in the manner authorized above, the following additional fees that be required by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application:
	basic fee
	presentation of extra claims
	search fee
	examination fee
must or set for i to autho	e additional fees for excess or multiple dependent claims not paid on filing or on later presentation ally be paid or these claims cancelled by amendment prior to the expiration of the time period response by the PTO in any notice of fee deficiency (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d)), it might be best not prize the PTO to charge additional claim fees, except possibly when dealing with amendments all action.
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		37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (application processing fees)						
		37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)–(5) (extension fees pursuant to § 1.136(a).						
		37 C.F.R. § 1.16(s) (additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets)						
		37 C.F.R. § 1.18 (issue fee at or before mailing of Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.311(b).						
NOTE:	may be general	Section 1.311(b) provides that an authorization to charge the issue fee (§ 1.18) to a deposit account may be filed in an individual application only after the mailing of the notice of allowance. Accordingly, general authorizations to pay fees and specific authorizations to pay the issue fee that are filed prior to the mailing of a notice of allowance will generally not be treated as requesting payment of the issue						

rection 1.311(b) provides that an authorization to charge the issue fee (§ 1.18) to a deposit account may be filed in an individual application only after the mailing of the notice of allowance. Accordingly, general authorizations to pay fees and specific authorizations to pay the issue fee that are filed prior to the mailing of a notice of allowance will generally not be treated as requesting payment of the issue fee and will not be given effect to act as a reply to the notice of allowance. Applicant, when paying the issue fee, should submit a new authorization to charge fees, such as by completing box 6b on the current PTOL-85B form. Where no reply to the notice of allowance is received, the application will stand abandoned notwithstanding the presence of general authorizations to pay fees or a specific authorization to pay the issue fee that were submitted prior to mailing of the notice of allowance. Where an attempt is made to pay the issue fee but an incorrect amount is submitted, § 1.311(b)(1), or where the Office's issue fee transmittal form (currently PTOL-85(B)) is completed by applicant and submitted, § 1.311(b)(2), in reply to a notice of allowance, an exception will be made. Such submissions will operate as a request to charge the issue fee to any deposit account identified in a previously filed (i.e., submitted prior to the mailing of the notice of allowance) authorization to charge fees, and will be allowed to act as payment of the correct issue fee. § 1.311(b). See also the change to § 1.26(b). Notice of September 8, 2000, Fed. Reg. 54603-54683, at 54646 and 54647.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(b) requires "Notification of any change in loss of entitlement to small entity status must be filed in the application . . . prior to paying, or at the time of paying . . . issue fee." From the wording of 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(b): (a) notification of change of status must be made even if the fee is paid as "other than a small entity" and (b) no notification is required if the change is to another small entity.

☐ 37 C.F.R. § 1.492(e) and/or (f) surcharge fees for filing the declaration and/or an English translation of an international application later than 30 months from the earliest-claimed priority date.

WARNING: It would be wise to always check this last authorization.

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